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BSA Descriptions

BSAs have been arranged into four categories:

1. Circuit Switched
2. Packet Switched
3. Dedicated
4. Dedicated Network Access Link

Each category may have several types. Following are descriptions of the BSA categories and the associated BSA types.

1. Category 1 - Circuit Switched BSA

A circuit switched basic serving arrangement (BSA) provides an enhanced service provider (ESP) with a connection to the circuit switched network. This BSA is capable of supporting analog signals of approximately 300 to 3000 Hz or a circuit switched digital interface with a call type of digital encoded voice, 3.1 kHz or 7 kHz audio, 56 kbps or 64 kbps data transmission. This BSA may also transmit voice grade analog data. The transmission interface may be 2-wire or 4-wire, or derived from a variety of multiplexing alternatives (for example, Digital Signal (DS) level 0 from DS level 1, or DS1 from DS3).

This BSA may support one-way or two-way directionality. Calls are set up and taken down on a call by call basis. The transport/usage element could be intra-office or inter-office.

Route diversity may be available with this serving arrangement.

1.1 Category 1, Type A - Circuit Switched Line BSA (1039)

Service Description

A circuit switched line BSA provides an ESP with a line side connection to the circuit switched network.

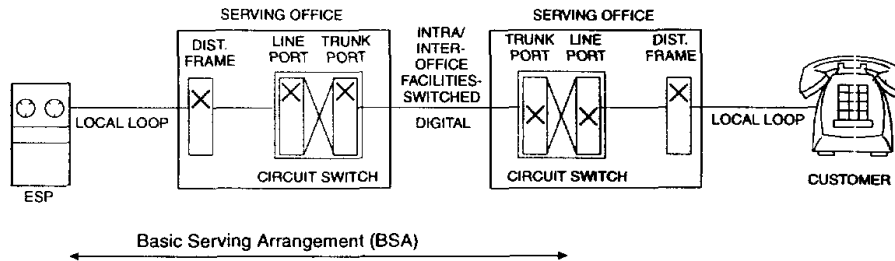
This line side connection could include alternative types of network connection, address and supervisory in-band or out-of-band signaling. Examples of network connections are standard telephone line or a line side type connection (e.g., PBX service). This BSA may support one-way or two-way directionality on a 2-wire or 4-wire transmission interface.

Calls are set up and taken down on a call by call basis. The calling scope may include, for example, an entire Local Access and Transport Area (LATA), a market area or be limited to all or part of a metropolitan area. Directory numbers are assigned from the North American Numbering Plan without any special routing or other use of the number.

Generic Name of BSA	Regional Company BSA Name
Category 1, Type A - Circuit Switched Line BSA*	AM - Circuit Switched Line BA - Business Individual Line BA - Line Side BSA BS - Voice Grade - Line - Circuit Switched NX - Circuit Switched - Line PB - Access Line Arrangement SWB - Circuit Switched - Line Side Basic Serving Arrangement (BSA-A) Qwest - Voice Grade - Line - Circuit Switched

* Based on the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) CC Docket 89-79 Order dated July 11, 1991, there will be a new line side BSA on FCC approval of tariffs submitted November 1, 1991.

Voice Grade – Line – Circuit Switched — BSA



Alternatives

An alternative is an item that must be selected for the BSA to be technically meaningful. Alternative items may be available from some or all of the Local Exchange Carriers (LECs). Refer to the individual LEC tariff reference diskette for the reference information where LEC defined alternatives may be found. Examples of potential alternatives may be: Service Code Denial and Uniform Call Distribution.

Signaling

Signaling arrangements extend line circuit or signaling circuit alerting information on metallic or fiber facilities from one customer premises location to another customer premises location. The signaling arrangement can be terminated on trunk-like or line side interfaces of the LEC switch. Examples of address signaling on an analog interface are dial pulse or dual tone multifrequency (DTMF) with supervisory signaling of loop start or ground start. A digital interface will offer address and supervisory signaling via an out-of-band standardized protocol.

Transmission

The subject of transmission covers a broad range of performance considerations related to the physical facilities that compose network architecture. Transmission parameters are designed to provide objective transmission performance characteristics, as perceived by the end user and LEC, between the points of termination. Transmission parameters are defined for each Network Interface (see below) supporting this BSA. These parameters are defined in the reference documentation.

Network Interfaces

The electrical and physical interface with the LEC is described by a Network Channel Interface (NCI) code for each end user termination and each service provider termination. NCI codes are provided to aid the user in understanding the relationship of the network interface to the electrical or optical characteristics of the interface. NCI codes have four basic components: (1) number of conductors (wire or fibers), (2) protocol code, (3) nominal reference impedance code, and (4) any applicable protocol options.

References

- GR-334 Switched Access Service: Transmission Parameter Limits and Interface Combinations, Issue 1, June 1994
- Qwest's document 77316 Pacific Northwest Bell's Addendum to Voice Grade Switched Access Service TR-NPL-000334, April 1986.

1.2 Category 1, Type B - Circuit Switched Trunk BSA (1040)

Service Description

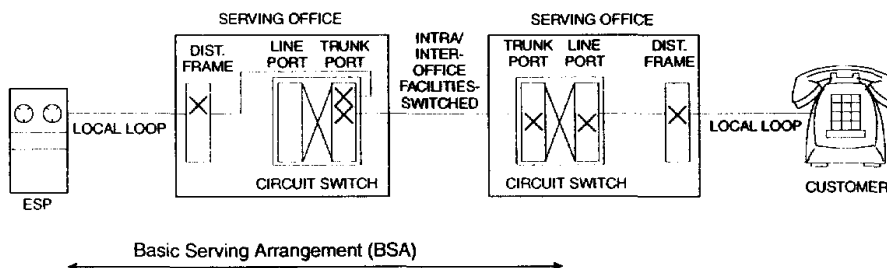
A circuit switched trunk BSA provides an enhanced service provider (ESP) with a trunk side connection to the circuit switched network.

Various types of network connections, address signaling and supervisory signaling are available. An example of network connections to the serving office may be direct trunk or a tandem connection. Calls are set up and taken down on a call-by-call basis. Different access arrangements, based on the North American Numbering Plan, are available from the Local Exchange Carriers (LEC). This BSA may support one-way or two-way directionality.

Generic Name of BSA	Regional Company BSA Name
Category 1, Type B - Circuit Switched Trunk BSA	AM - Circuit Switched Trunk BA - Trunkside BSA - 950 Option BA - Trunkside BSA - 10XXX Option BS - Circuit Switched Trunk - Voice Grade NX - Circuit Switched Trunk PB - Access Trunk Arrangement (950) PB - Access Trunk Arrangement (10XXX) SWB - Circuit Switched - Trunk Side Alternative B Basic Serving Arrangement (BSA-B) SWB - Circuit Switched - Trunk Side Alternative D Basic Serving Arrangement (BSA-D) Qwest - Voice Grade - Trunk - Circuit Switched

Alternatives

Voice Grade – Trunk – Circuit Switched — BSA



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Signaling

Signaling arrangements extend trunk circuit or signaling circuit alerting information on metallic or fiber facilities from one customer premises location to another customer premises location. These signals are the means by which the end user initiates a request for service, holds a connection or releases a connection. The signaling arrangements can be terminated on line-like or trunk side interfaces of the LEC switch. Examples of point-of-termination supervisory signaling arrangements that may be ordered are Multi-Frequency (in-band), Signaling System 7 (SS7) (out of band), reverse battery and E&M.

Transmission

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- GR-698 LSSGR: Feature Group B FSD 20-24-0300, Issue 1, June 2000 (replaces TR-TSY-000698 Issue 1 and Revision 1 – no technical changes)
- LSSGR FR-64 (formerly FR-NWT-000064), GR-690, FSD 20-24-0000, Exchange Access Interconnection, Issue 1, March 1991, Issue 2, September 1995, Revision 01, November 1996
- TR-NPL-000258 Compatibility Information for Feature Group D Switched Access Service, Issue 1, October 1985.
- SR-NPL-001321 Connection Setup Time for Feature Group D and Terminating Feature Group B, Special Report, Issue 1, February 1989.
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- GR-905 Common Channel Signaling Network Interface Specification (CCSNIS) Supporting Network Interconnection, Message Transfer Part (MTP), and ISDN User Part (ISDNUP), Issue 7 - December 2003 (replaces GR-905, Issue 6)

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- TA-NPL-000912 Compatibility Information for Telephone Exchange Service, Issue 1, February 1989.
- SR-2275 Telcordia Notes on the Networks, Issue 4, October 2000 (replaces SR-TSV-02275, Issue 3)

2. Category 2 - Packet Switched Basic Serving Arrangement

A packet switched BSA provides an ESP with a connection to the packet switched network via virtual and permanent virtual circuit connections. This BSA is capable of supporting analog or digital signals of various transmission rates. The transmission interface may be 2-wire or 4-wire, or derived from a variety of multiplexing alternatives (for example, Digital Signal (DS) level 0 from DS level 1, or DS1 from DS3).

2.1 Category 2, Type A - X.25 Packet Switched BSA (1001)

Service Description

The Type A Packet Switched BSA provides an ESP with X.25 or X.31 access to the BOC packet switching network via virtual and permanent virtual circuit connections. This interface conforms to Recommendations X.25 and X.31 of the International Telecommunication Union-Telecommunication Standardization Sector (ITU-TS) (formerly the International Telegraph and Telephone Consultative Committee [CCITT]).

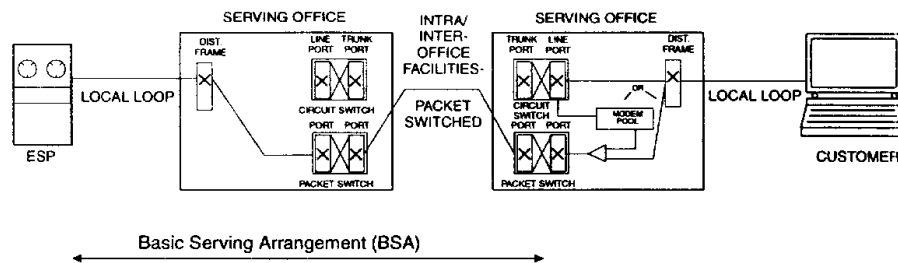
X.25 includes physical, link and packet level procedures. At the physical level, data signaling rates of 1.2, 2.4, 4.8, 9.6 and 56 kbps are supported. The link level protocol supported at the interface is Link Access Protocol Balanced (LAPB). The main functions of the link level protocol are to ensure that the packets cross the Data Terminal Equipment/Data Communications Equipment (DTE/DCE) interface essentially error free and reach their destination in a correctly transmitted sequence. The network level access protocol provides the procedures required to set up, maintain and clear virtual calls. X.31 defines the recommended procedures for using Q.931 protocol to establish digital customer premises equipment (CPE) calls to a packet network in accordance with defined bearer services.

Generic Name of BSA	Regional Company BSA Name
Category 2, Type A - X.25 Packet Switched BSA	AM - Packet Switched Network Service (X.25) BA - Public Data Network: X.25 BS - PulseLink® Packet Switching - X.25 NX - INFOPATH® Packet Switching Service PB - Public Packet Switching (X.25) SWB - Packet Switched - MicroLink II SM (X.25 Version) Qwest - Packet Switching (X.25)

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Signaling

Signaling arrangements extend alerting information on metallic or fiber facilities from one customer premises location to another customer premises location. Dial (circuit-switched) access provides low- to moderate-throughput Public Packet Switched Network (PPSN) access through the voice telephone network. With dial-in access, a customer terminal and modem are attached to the Public Switched Telephone Network (PSTN) loop. The customer dials a North American Numbering Plan (NANP) address and the PSTN routes the call to a PPSN dial-up port. The PPSN answers the call with a modem supporting one of several modem protocols.

With dial-out access, a call is routed to a PPSN interface supporting dial-out service. At this interface, the access concentrator obtains the NANP address and uses the ITU-TS (formerly CCITT) V.25 calling procedures to instruct the PPSN modem to establish a physical connection with the customer via the PSTN.

Dedicated (nonswitched) access provides the customer with continuously available interfaces to the PPSN.

Transmission

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- TR-NPL-000011 Asynchronous Terminal and Host Interface Reference, Issue 1, March 1985
- Ameritech TR-NPL-000001 Public Packet Services Technical Interface Specifications, Issue 2, September 1988
- Ameritech TR-NPL-000002 Technical Interface Specifications for X.25 Service, Issue 2, May 1988
- Ameritech TR-NPL-000003 Technical Interface Specifications for Asynchronous Service, Issue 2, May 1988
- Ameritech TR-NPL-000007 Digital Service Interface Specifications, Type 1, Issue B, December 1988
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The Type B Packet Switched BSA provides an ESP with X.75 access to the BOC packet switching network. The X.75 interface conforms to Recommendation X.75 of the International Telecommunication Union-Telecommunication Standardization Sector (ITU-TS) (formerly the International Telegraph and Telephone Consultative Committee [CCITT]).

X.75 includes physical, link and packet level procedures. At the physical level data signaling rates of 9.6 kbps are supported over analog or digital facilities. Speeds of 56 kbps are supported over digital facilities only. The link level protocol supported at the interface is Link Access Protocol Balanced (LAPB). The main functions of the link level protocol are to ensure that the packets cross the network interface essentially error free and reach their destination in a correctly transmitted sequence. The network level access protocol provides the procedures required to set up, maintain and clear virtual calls.

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The diagram illustrates the Basic Serving Arrangement (BSA) for a telecommunications network. It shows two 'SERVING OFFICE' blocks connected by 'INTRA/ INTER-OFFICE FACILITIES'. Each office contains a 'PACKET SWITCH', a 'CIRCUIT SWITCH PORT-PORT', and a 'MODEM POOL'. A 'LOCAL LOOP' connects each office to an external device: an 'ESP' (Exchange Service Point) on the left and a 'CUSTOMER' (represented by a computer) on the right. The diagram also shows 'DIST. FRAME' and 'LINE/ TRUNK PORT' connections within each office.

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